

HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

City of Burlington

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ARBORIST TECHNICIAN Parks and Recreation Department City of Burlington

POSTING DATE: April 13, 2011

RATE OF PAY: \$18.13/hr

EXEMPT/NON-EXEMPT: Non-Exempt

APPLICATIONS CANNOT BE ACCEPTED AFTER THE DEADLINE DATE

This position is responsible for assisting the Arborist/Project Manager in the care and maintenance of the City's public trees, flowerbeds and shrub beds. In addition this position is responsible for pesticide applications on turf grasses, and for carrying out specialty mowing for all greenways. This position is responsible for tree trimming around utility lines.

Essential Job Functions:

- Perform cultural practices on all public trees including, but not limited to pruning, cabling and bracing, fertilizing, aerating, vertical mulching and root pruning in accordance with ANSI A300 standards.
- Planting of trees, shrubs and flowers in accordance with ANSI Z60.1 standards.
- Removal of trees and shrubs in accordance with ANSI Z133 standards.
- Perform tree trimming around electric utility lines in accordance with ANSI Z133 standards.
- Train and supervise seasonal workers as required.
- Inspect and diagnose insect and disease problems and recommend and apply appropriate treatments on public vegetation.
- Perform cultural practices on turf including the application of pesticides and the mowing of greenways and right of ways.
- Operate snow removal equipment as directed.

Qualifications/Basic Job Requirements:

- Associates Degree in Forestry, Arboriculture or Horticulture and two years of experience in the field of commercial or municipal arboriculture, with experience in hand climbing.
- Valid CDL class B driver's license required.
- Basic computer skills in a Windows environment required.
- Experience in landscaping highly desirable.
- Ability to obtain and maintain a Vermont Pesticide Applicators license within one year of date of employment required.
- Ability to obtain and maintain an International Society of Arboriculture, Arborists Certification (ISA) within one year from date of employment required.
- Ability to identify and treat potential and actual public safety hazards with regard to fallen trees, dead limbs, and trees in electric lines.
- Ability to obtain and maintain Tree Care Industry Association (TCIA) Electrical Hazard Awareness Certification within 90 days from date of hire required.
- Ability to safely operate all specialized Arboricultural equipment, including but not limited to Aerial lift truck, brush chipper, chain saws, hydraulic sprayer.
- Ability to operate all landscape tractors and other related equipment including, but not limited to over the guard rail mower,16-foot batwing mower, backhoe, etc.
- Ability to perform routine and basic maintenance on arboricultural equipment including, but not limited to chainsaws, brush chippers, aerial lift, tractors, batwing mowers, etc.

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